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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION ANKARA ON 30 MAR REPEATED FOR YOUR
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SUBJECT: EXHIBIT REFLECTIONS

1. AS PART OF OUR CONTINUOUS MONITORING OF REFLECTIONS EXHIBIT,
FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL NEGATIVE ELEMENTS HAVE EMERGED:

A. FRIDAY NIGHT'S LECTURE BY WILLIS CONOVER AT RADIO-TELEVISION
INSTITUTE, PART OF THE FINE ARTS ACADEMY, WAS BOYCOTTED BY STUDENTS.
THIS INDICATES AN UNCHANGED PSYCHOLOGICAL CLIMATE AMONG STUDENT
PROTESTORS.

B. BOTH SUNDAY AND MONDAY NIGHTS, BOMBING INCIDENTS OCCURED IN
SEVERAL LOCATIONS OF CITY. WHILE POLICE SO FAR HAVE NOT CURTAILED
PROTECTION OF REFLECTIONS, THEY ARE STRETCHED THIN AND MIGHT BE
FORCED TO DO SO IN FUTURE.

C. ELECTION CAMPAIGN RHETORIC HAS SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED
AND TEMPER ARE RISING. WHILE THERE IS NO OBVIOUS CONNECTION
OF THIS WITH REFLECTIONS, THE EXHIBIT DOES PRESENT A POTENTIAL
TARGET TO THOSE WHO WANT TO VENT WHATEVER AILS THEM. IN OUR VIEW,
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EXTREMIST ELEMENTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO COME TO THE FORE THAN
UNDER MORE NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

D. WHILE ATTENDANCE THIS SECOND WEEK IS RUNNING CLOSE TO 500
DAILY, WE FEEL THAT THE MAJOR PURPOSE OF EXHIBIT HAS BEEN
LARGELY ACHIEVED.

2. FOR ABOVE REASONS, TO CONTINUE TO RUN EXHIBIT PAST
END OF THIS WEEK WOULD ENTAIL RISKS WHICH ARE UNLIKELY
TO BE OUTWEIGHED BY POTENTIAL ADVANTAGES. WHILE THIS IS CLOSE
JUDGMENT WITH WHICH SOME MIGHT DIFFER, WE RELUCTANTLY CONCLUDE
THAT EXHIBIT SHOULD BE DISCONTINUED AFTER FRIDAY, WHEN IT WILL
HAVE RUN FOR RESPECTABLE FULL TWO WEEKS. IF THE EMBASSY CONCURS
IN THIS JUDGMENT, WE WOULD STILL HAVE TO COMMUNICATE THIS WITH
THE RECTOR TO WORK OUT DETAILS. IN ANY CASE, WE FACE CONSIDERABLE
TECHNICAL PROBLEMS IN PHYSICALLY REMOVING AND SECURING EXHIBIT
DURING THIS COMING WEEKEND.

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